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Designates a national day of remembrance on October 30, 2009, for nuclear weapons program workers.

In the Senate of the United States of America

May 14, 2009

Mr. Bunning (for himself, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Bingaman, Mr. Udall of Colorado, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Voinovich, Mr. Reid, Mr. Corker, Mr. Grassley, Mrs. Murray, Mr. McConnell, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Udall of New Mexico, Mr. Nelson of Florida, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Schumer) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

May 20, 2009

Committee discharged; considered and agreed to

Resolution

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Whereas hundreds of thousands of men and women have served this Nation in building its nuclear defense since World War II;

Whereas these dedicated American workers paid a high price for their service and have developed disabling or fatal illnesses as a result of exposure to beryllium, ionizing radiation, toxic substances, and other hazards that are unique to the production and testing of nuclear weapons;

Whereas these workers were put at individual risk without their knowledge and consent in order to develop a nuclear weapons program for the benefit of all American citizens; and

Whereas these patriotic men and women deserve to be recognized for their contribution, service, and sacrifice towards the defense of our great Nation:

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates October 30, 2009, as a national day of remembrance for American nuclear weapons program workers and uranium miners, millers, and haulers; and

(2) encourages the people of the United States to support and participate in appropriate ceremonies, programs, and other activities to commemorate October 30, 2009, as a national day of remembrance for past and present workers in America's nuclear weapons program.